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## A) YUGOSLAV GROUND FORCES

## a) Headquarters

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Sep 49 Headquarters of the 31st division (<sup>branch</sup> ~~specialty~~ unidentified) in the city in- <sup>KOSTAJNICA</sup> STSAK  
 located in the margin. [redacted]

Mar 51- "Vojni Otjek"

AIDUSSINA

Attached to the "Vojni Okrug" (<sup>zone</sup> Military District of LJUBLJANA). Located in  
 the former [redacted] <sup>Troops</sup> ~~Mountain Climbers~~ barracks.

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Commanding officer: a captain, assisted by 4 ~~subalterns~~ <sup>junior officers</sup>.

## b) Troops

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Sep 49-58th AUTOMATSKI PUK -- 58th <sup>"submachine gun"</sup> ~~automat~~ regiment, armed exclusively ~~with~~ <sup>submachine guns.</sup> SARAJEVO  
 with ~~automatic rifles~~.

[redacted] the regiment is under the headquarters of 50X1-HUM

the 31st division mentioned in the preceding paragraph - a) Headquarters.

[redacted] the ~~regiment~~ <sup>is</sup> ~~regiment~~ <sup>falling</sup> ~~regiment~~ <sup>under</sup> ~~regiment~~ <sup>the</sup> ~~regiment~~ <sup>headquarters</sup> ~~regiment~~ <sup>of</sup> ~~regiment~~ <sup>a</sup> ~~regiment~~ <sup>division</sup> ~~regiment~~ <sup>located</sup> ~~regiment~~ <sup>at</sup> ~~regiment~~ <sup>SISAK</sup> ~~regiment~~ <sup>about</sup> ~~regiment~~ <sup>350</sup> ~~regiment~~ <sup>km.</sup> ~~regiment~~ <sup>from</sup> ~~regiment~~ <sup>SARAJEVO.</sup>

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It is <sup>quartered</sup> ~~lodged~~ in barracks on Franz Preshera street (the street in front of

the main railroad station) and is composed of one 4-story building built

in U-shape, <sup>and</sup> ~~has~~ <sup>are</sup> the approximate external dimensions of 110 x 40 x 15 m.

The barracks are surrounded by a wall about 2.50 meters high.

## ONTOLOGY HISTORY

The regiment was formed of elements who had already had military service  
 in the foreign armies operating in YUGOSLAVIA during the war <sup>were</sup> and recalled  
 into military service for a year, six months of which they served at this  
 unit and 6 months in ~~x~~ labor battalions.

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after the troops were sent to the labor units it was reconstituted with the same organization, armament and ~~duties~~ function.

Commanding officer: a major, name not known.

#### Officers

- Captain Radko STEPHANOVIC, ~~XXXXX~~ commanding officer of the 1st battalion.

#### Strength

- about 1300 men.

#### Organization

##### Schedule

The regiment is composed of:

- 4 (1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th) battalions, each about 320 men strong

~~XXXXXXXXXX (XX illegitimate)~~

- 1 communications company about 30 men strong.

Each battalion includes 4 companies (1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th), each 30 men strong, divided into 2 platoons (Vod) of 40 men each, and these are divided into 2 squads of 20 men each.

#### Cadres

Battalion commanding officers: 4 captains

Battalion political commissars: ~~subalterns~~ junior officers

Company commanders: non-commissioned officers

Platoon and squad leaders: corporals

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Armament

- P.P.Sh. submachine guns, mod. 41, 7.62 caliber, with 72-round drum magazine, Soviet make
- All the troops are ~~xxx~~ only issued this one type of gun.
- It is planned to issue 3 ~~xxxx~~ hand grenades to each soldiers in combat.

Communications companyArmament

- P.P.Sh. Russian submachine guns
- ordinary repeating rifles, "Mauser" type, of Yugoslav make.

Equipment

- 2 field radio receiving and transmitting sets with generator operated by two cranks
- German and Allied field telephones
- telephone wire
- 6 German two-wheeled carts for transport of radio and telephone ~~xxxxxxx~~ equipment
- 7 mules for drawing the carts.

~~Transport~~ The regiment has no transport equipment or pack animals.

The regiment ~~uses the~~ communication company's carts for transporting food and other small ~~transports~~ <sup>loads</sup>.

Instruction

<sup>are devoted to</sup> During the first 10 days the standard ~~instruction~~ program is followed of formal instruction, theoretical instruction and practice with arms, methods of use etc. Then there are lessons in aiming and firing ~~with~~ submachine guns.

Firing Instruction

In a period of 6 months <sup>practice</sup> there were 3 firing ~~instruction~~ periods.

1st lesson

- with P.P.Sh. submachine gun
- prone position - against a target of a man kneeling - at a distance of [illegible] meters - 6 cartridges fired in single shots

2nd lesson

- with P.P.Sh. submachine gun.

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- against a moving <sup>silhouette</sup> target of a man ~~on his knees~~ - in kneeling position - from a distance of 85 meters from the target, firing in standing position, running ~~for~~ 25 meters while firing 18 cartridges in single ~~shots~~ shots and bursts, beginning fire after 6-7 meters.

3rd lesson:

- with P.P.Sh. submachine gun.

Against a <sup>silhouette</sup> target of a man on his knees, much more rapid than the previous <sup>drill</sup> lesson, following the same method in the previous <sup>drill at</sup> lesson with a distance of 90 m. from the target and running 30 meters while firing 18 cartridges in bursts and single shots.

Individual <sup>land</sup> defense field fortification

The troops were instructed in digging fox holes for ~~individual~~ individual field <sup>fortification</sup> defense for the three positions: standing, kneeling and prone, positions. The instruction emphasized the latter position and the trenches for this position were dug about 15 meters apart.

Combat training

Centered exclusively around the use of a squad in the attack and assault phases, with assault fire. <sup>In this maneuver</sup> ~~For training in this~~ the entire squad goes out at the same time running <sup>across</sup> ~~along the line which separates~~ the enemy positions, firing in bursts and then <sup>space between them and</sup> ~~hand~~ <sup>throwing</sup> ~~grenades~~ <sup>at</sup> the enemy positions from a distance of 15 m.

In combat the troops are issued a reserve magazine (72 rounds)

~~Also~~ Various night maneuvers are <sup>also</sup> executed in spotting the enemy and <sup>in</sup> surprise harrassing and ~~disturbance~~ ~~attacks~~ attacks.

Note: After six months of service, in Sep 1949, the troops were all <sup>converted</sup> ~~trans-~~

~~formed~~ into a labor unit and transferred to VOGOSCA (KONJI  50X1-HUM

for the construction of a munitions factory. (See paragraph on "Economic

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Information "Industry" <sup>very</sup>  
LABOR BATTALIONS

KONJIC  
VOGOSCA

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Unit about 1000 men strong composed of the men formerly in the 5th ~~Automatix~~ ~~rixi~~ "submachine gun" regiment mentioned above. This unit is engaged in building a munitions factory near the place in the margin.

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*like the regular*  
The unit has 4 battalions ~~xxxxxx~~ ~~as per~~ standard units.

Military post office  
[redacted]

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The unit ~~xxxxxxxxxxxx~~ was employed *here* ~~in this work~~ from Sep 1949 until the date in the margin and then it was dissolved and its members were ~~discharged~~ discharged.  
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It was replaced by a larger unit [redacted]  
[redacted]

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Mar 51- In the former [redacted] barracks which house the Vojni Otsek (see paragraph quartered entitled a) Headquarters), some Yugoslav unit was ~~xxxxxx~~ at the date in the margin.

## B) ECONOMIC INFORMATION

a) Industry

" 50- Factory for production of artillery projectiles of all calibers and their VOGOSCA  
*changes*  
~~ammunition~~. It is now being ~~built~~ and enlarged. It is 2-3 km. east of

VOGOSCA in a winding valley along which there runs a small river. The Factory is located on the left bank of this river.

*Czech*  
Work began in 1946-1947. It is an old/munitions factory which was torn down and destroyed by the Germans during the war and ~~illegible~~ *transport* to AUSTRIA. The machines have been restored and *are* now ~~they are~~ kept in huts, which cover an area of about 2 square kilometers, ~~xxx~~ until the time when they *can* ~~will~~ be installed. The construction work was almost completed at the date in the margin. ~~xxx~~ It consists of 25-30 brick buildings of about 140 x 60 m. ~~xxxxxx~~ ~~xxxxxx~~ ~~xxxxxx~~ ~~xxxxxx~~ The roofs consist of 2 layers of eternit placed longitudinally and in semi-circular form. The height of the walls is 4 m. The building is built on the slopes of the mountain (left shore of the small river which runs through the valley).  
The entire building is connected with a cave dug in the mountain, about 20 m. long and 3 meters high. Width not known.  
The spaces between the buildings are filled in with ~~xxx~~ dirt.

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The buildings <sup>stand</sup> ~~are built~~ on a stretch of land along the valley, <sup>of</sup> 6-7 km. <sup>long</sup>

The roofs of the buildings are camouflaged with paint or brush.

The factory is connected <sup>well</sup> ~~to~~ the railroad by a ~~railroad~~ siding, ~~and~~ Each building will be connected <sup>sidings</sup> ~~to~~ the ~~station~~ by a ~~by~~ track which will go the ~~the~~ gallery connected to it.

The first building <sup>from</sup> ~~after~~ the entrance to the factory will be used as a 50X1-HUM carpentry shop for ~~the~~ building ~~of~~ ammunition boxes and ~~for~~ perforating grenade cases. [redacted]

#### State of work

Work is being done by the Vojna Poduzuce Mramina Vojosca.

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Workers: 1000 soldiers of the labor battalion who formerly composed the 58th "submachine gun" regiment.

(see paragraph entitled "Troops")

Prior to 1949 ~~they were~~ about 10,000 (A) German prisoners were employed

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#### Production

[redacted] at the date in the margin work had begun slowly and was limited to:

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- loading of projectiles for artillery .
- construction of cases for the same

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